Boston's Age Strong Commission

Weekly Digest

January 10-16, 2022

Information & opportunities for Boston's older adults

VACCINATION REQUIRED

Starting on **Jan. 15, 2022**, individuals will be required to show proof of COVID-19 vaccination to enter certain indoor spaces like restaurants, fitness facilities, entertainment spaces, and certain meeting spaces in Boston.



Am I eligible for a COVID-19 booster shot?



Who?

Individuals 12+ who are fully vaccinated*
Individuals age 12-17 can only get the Pfizer booster



When?

- At least 6 months after Moderna
- At least 5 months after Pfizer
- At least 2 months after Johnson & Johnson

Which booster shot do I get?

 You may have a preference, but you can get any type of vaccine for your booster shot



More information at mass.gov/COVID19booster

For help scheduling a booster or transportation to get a booster, call 311 or Age Strong at 617-635-4366 or visit www.boston.gov

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Alert-Boston

Stay Connected to Age Strong:

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City of Boston Age Strong Commission



MONDAY, JANUARY 10

9am

OLLI Virtual: Monday Morning Coffee Chat UMass Boston's Osher Lifelong Learning Institute

Email ollireg@gmail.com to sign up.

12noon

OLLI Virtual: Getting to Know Van Gogh UMass Boston's Osher Lifelong Learning Institute

Email ollireg@gmail.com to sign up

<u>1pm</u>

BPL Virtual: Movie Discussion Group "The Donut King"

Click here to register & for more information.

<u>5pm</u>

Parks: Virtual Fitness: Dance Fit

Click <u>here</u> to register & for more information.

TUESDAY, JANUARY 11

10:30am

A Quilting Circle

BPL: Codman Square

690 Washington Street, Dorchester

Click <u>here</u> to register & for more information.

10:30am: Film showing via Zoom

12:30pm: Film discussion via Zoom

OLLI Winter Film Series: "Father of the Bride" (1950)

UMass Boston's Osher Lifelong Learning Institute

Email ollireg@gmail.com to sign up

<u>6:30pm</u>

Parks: Virtual Fitness: Afrobeats Dance

Click <u>here</u> to register & for more information.

WEDNESDAY, JANUARY 12

<u>11am</u>

Parks: Virtual Fitness: Chair Yoga

Click <u>here</u> to register & for more information.

1:30pm

A Journey through America's National Park System

UMass Boston's Osher Lifelong Learning Institute

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<u>3pm</u>

BPL Virtual: Shelf Service Live Recommendations from BPL librarians

Click here to register & for more information.

<u>6:30pm</u>

Parks: Virtual Fitness: Zumba

Click here to register & for more information.

THURSDAY, JANUARY 13

12noon

BPL Virtual: Digital Skills for Everyday Tasks

Click here to register & for more information.

<u>12noon</u>

OLLI Virtual: The Battle for Burma: 1944-45

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<u>1pm</u>

BPL Virtual: Lunchtime

Science Fiction/Fantasy Short Story Club

Click here to register & for more information.

<u>2pm</u>

BPL Virtual: Tai Chi with Eddie Watkins

Click here to register & for more information.

2:30-5:30pm

The Dudley Winter Market

11 Brook Avenue, Roxbury

Click here for more information.

FRIDAY, JANUARY 14

12:30pm

Parks: Virtual Fitness: Chair Meditation

Click here to register & for more information.

SATURDAY, JANUARY 15

9am

Parks: Virtual Fitness: Strength Training

Click here to register & for more information.

<u>10am-1pm</u>

Dorchester Winters Farmers Market

6 Norfolk Street, Dorchester

Click here for more information.

SUNDAY, JANUARY 16

12noon-3pm

Roslindale Farmers Market

19 Corinth Street, Roslindale

Click here for more information.

<u>6pm</u>

Parks: Virtual Fitness: Yoga

Click here to register & for more information.



PLAN FOR THE COLD



Information for Everyone



Dress in loose layers with a waterproof outer layer.



Stay inside some place warm.



If in danger of frostbite, soak cold digits in warm water. Do not massage or use heating pad.

DID YOU KNOW?

- Everyone is at risk of adverse health effects from cold weather exposure, such as frostbite and hypothermia.
- Stay dry! Being wet and cold is the main cause of adverse health effects. Overheating is also dangerous because sweating will lead to being wet and cold.
- Even short periods of skin being exposed to extreme cold can be dangerous. Uncovered skin releases heat that your body needs and can lead to frostbite.
- Cold affects people unequally. Those who are over 65 years old, have chronic medical conditions or disabilities, work outdoors, experience homelessness, or use substances are more at risk.
- Hypothermia is a serious condition caused by prolonged exposure to cold. It can occur
 indoors as well as outdoors. Warm your body, keep dry, and call 9-1-1 if needed.

RESOURCES

1

Get warm at public warming centers and Boston Public Libraries. 2

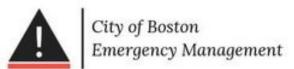
Get emergency notices via text, email or phone from AlertBoston.

(3)

Under certain conditions, such as extreme cold, utilities cannot be shut off for non-payment.

For more information on these resources, call 3-1-1 or visit boston.gov/cold





SIGN UP FOR ALERT-BOSTON!

In 4 simple steps:

- 1 Enter your Email or Phone number
- 2 Select how you would like to be Alerted
- 3 Enter your First and Last Name
- 4 Enter your Zip Code & Select a Language

Sign up at boston.gov/alert-boston



KEEP BOSTON SENIORS WARM THIS WINTER

The **Seniors Save** program can provide up to \$8,000 to eligible seniors to replace faulty heating systems.

Visit **boston.gov/seniors-save** to apply today.